

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Harsh Gopal  
 Serial No. : 09/228,103  
 Filed : January 11, 1999  
 Title : FOOD CASING RELEASE COATING COMPRISING POLYGLYCERYL  
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

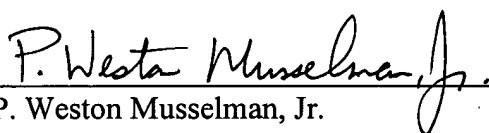
An Amendment in Reply to Action of December 2, 2004 and Request for Continued Examination are enclosed. The required fees are computed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Request for Continued Examination	<u>\$790</u>
Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 1 month extension of time.	<u>\$120</u>
<b>TOTAL FEE DUE</b>	<b>\$910</b>

A check for \$910 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Mar. 23, 2005

  
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